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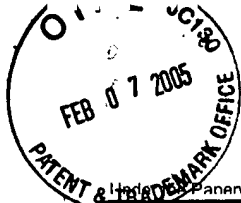
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Design	200	100	100	50	130	65	
Plant	200	100	300	150	160	80	
Reissue	300	150	500	250	600	300	
Provisional	200	100	0	0	0	0	

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<u>Fee Description</u>				<u>Fee (\$)</u>	<u>Fee (\$)</u>
Each claim over 20 (including Reissues)				50	25
Each independent claim over 3 (including Reissues)				200	100
Multiple dependent claims				360	180
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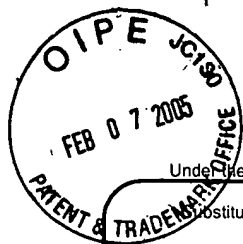
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